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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed July 13, 2004 and September 20, 2004 and in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in an Israel Office Action issued in connection with counterpart Israel Application No. 142842, mailed January 23, 2005. A copy of the English translation of the Israel Office Action is being submitted herewith. The Examiner is invited to review the Israel Office Action to inspect the relevance indicated during Israel examination with respect to the documents cited therein.

U.S. Patent No. 5,738,864;

U.S. Patent No. 4,386,026;

U.S. Patent No. 5,658,592;

EP 712 635;

EP 640 622; and

WO 97/46260.

Applicants note that U.S. Patent No. 5,658,592, EP 712 635 and WO 97/46260 were previously made of record in the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 13, 2004 and that U.S. Patent No. 4,386,026 and EP 640 622 were previously made of record in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed September 20, 2004. Accordingly, only U.S. Patent No. 5,738,864 is being listed on the attached completed Form PTO-1449.

The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider this document, and to make it of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate space on the Form-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R 1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants note that while this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicants have not received an action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

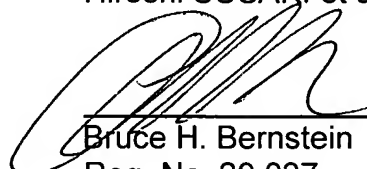
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However, if an action on the merits has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants hereby authorize the charging of any required fees necessary for consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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